
This new course, funded by BU, HRSA and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health will enhance the local public health practitioners' appreciation of the comprehensive nature of local public health practice, emphasize the many roles and responsibilities local practitioners assume and provide the skills and resources to improve competencies and job performance. This course will offer a cross-disciplinary perspective and approach to local public health practice in terms of the three core functions, essential services and capacities needed to achieve Healthy People 2010 goals and objectives.

The course is divided into three modules with six, 2.5 hour sessions in each module: Overview of Local Public Health Practice; Environmental Health Practice, and Public Health Nursing Practice. The Overview of Local Public Health Practice module will contain elements common to all local health practitioners regardless of their professional discipline and must be taken prior to the other two modules. The Environmental Health Practice module will focus on the roles, responsibilities and skills needed by a local sanitarian or inspector. The Public Health Nursing Practice module will emphasize those roles, responsibilities and competencies related to clinical and preventive public health services. When implemented, all course participants must take module 1 and are encouraged to take both the environmental health and public health nursing modules. Participants who successfully complete two modules will be granted a Certificate of Completion.



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MODULE ONE

OVERVIEW OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE

SESSION ONE

Introduction to Local Public Health Practice

SESSION TWO

Legal Mandates and Ethical Issues

SESSION THREE

Foundations for Emergency Management
and Readiness

SESSION FOUR

Key Elements of Assessment, Policy
Development and Assurance

SESSION FIVE

Table-top Exercise to Illustrate the Three Core
Functions of Public Health

SESSION SIX

Leadership, Collaboration and Advocacy
in Local Public Health

MODULE TWO

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PRACTICE

SESSION ONE

Introduction to Environmental Health Practice

SESSION TWO

Roles and Responsibilities for Nuisance Control

SESSION THREE

Roles and Responsibilities for Food Protection

SESSION FOUR

Roles and Responsibilities for Housing
Inspections and Lead Paint Regulations

SESSION FIVE

Roles and Responsibilities for Wastewater
Treatment and Disposal

SESSION SIX

Roles and Responsibilities for Recreational
Waters [Swimming Pools and Bathing Beaches]

MODULE THREE

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING PRACTICE

SESSION ONE

Introduction to Public Health Nursing Practice

SESSION TWO

Roles and Responsibilities for Surveillance,
Outreach and Screening

SESSION THREE

Roles and Responsibilities for Disease and
Health Event Investigation

SESSION FOUR

Roles and Responsibilities for Referral,
Follow-up and Case Management

SESSION FIVE

Roles and Responsibilities for Health Promotion
and Disease Prevention

SESSION SIX

Roles and Responsibilities for Immunizations
and Vaccine Management